COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission

Government Center South 402 West Washington Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Conference Center Room B

November 3, 2010

- 1. Pursuant to IC 22-12-2-6, the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission's regular monthly meeting was opened by Chairman David Hannum at 9:06 a.m. on November 3, 2010.
 - (a) Commissioners present at the Commission meeting:

Diana M. H. Brenner

Ron Brown

Michael Christoffersen

Michael Corey

Howard W. Cundiff, Vice-Chairman, representing the Commissioner, Department of Health

David Hannum, Chairman

John Hawkins

M. Burke Jones

Matt Mitchell

Ted Ogle, delayed arrival

(b) Commissioners not present at the Commission meeting:

Kevin Goeden, representing the Commissioner, Department of Labor

(c) The following departmental and support staff were present during the meeting:

Legal and Code Services:

Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services Gary Bippus, Administrative Law Judge John Haines, Code Specialist John Hibner, Code Specialist Cecilia Ernstes-Boxell, Code Specialist

Denise Fitzpatrick, Code Specialist

Beth Sutor, Secretary

(d) Deputy Attorney General James Schmidt was present.

2. Old Business.

Chairman Hannum called for any corrections or a motion to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2010 meeting as distributed. Commissioner Hawkins noted that he had made the second to Item #27 because the lobby had an additional

complying exit and wished the minutes to reflect that. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Corey. It was voted upon and carried.

3. Third Party Inspections

Lonnie Lagle, Fire and Building Code Enforcement, introduced the three applications for third party inspections. He noted they were in good standing and recommended approval. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Cundiff. It was voted upon and carried. The following applications were approved: Radco Inc, 3220 E. 59th Street, Long Beach, CA 90805; PFS Corporation, 1507 Matt Pass, Cottage Grove, WI 53527; PSI, 1748 33rd Street, Orlando, FL 32839.

4. Ordinances

Chief James VanGorder, Zionsville Fire Department, presented the Fire Prevention Ordinance for Zionsville, Indiana. It had been previewed by Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services, and she had presented a memo outlining some of the provisions which were in conflict with the existing Commission rules. Commissioner Cundiff moved to deny, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. Commissioner Cundiff explained that the most important charge of the Commission is to make sure the laws are uniform throughout the state. Commissioner Brown suggested the local departments have the best knowledge of the local situations. Commissioner Cundiff reaffirmed his position, and suggested the fire officials work with staff and resubmit their ordinance. He did not wish to set a precedent by approving an ordinance more stringent that the state law. The motion was voted upon and carried, with one nay vote.

Commissioner Ogle arrived at 9:12 am.

5. Variances.

Tabled Variances.

Variance 10-04-45 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(g)(h)(i)(j)(k)(l)(m)(n)(o)(p)(q)(r) Model Mill Building, Noblesville, was represented by Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants. Also present were Hassan Shanehsaz, owner, and Gary Linard, engineer. Variance (a) was withdrawn. Variance (d) was to allow a stair enclosure to discharge into an egress corridor. It was to be rated except for a tenant glass door which will be sprinklered for protection. Variance (j) was to allow glass doors to be used to separate the corridor and the egress stairs to the second and third floors. Variances (b) and (c) were redo's of variances granted in 2006 when it was a business occupancy for openings to the basement, and an open stair connecting the first through the third floor. A restaurant will be on the first floor with its own direct exit out. Variance (e) is a common path of travel issue with two rooms sharing egress to a corridor which loops around to form a circle. The fourth floor, 1,920 square feet, and fifth floor, not much more space than a stair and landing to an exterior deck, empty onto the third floor. These will be used as a bridal prep room when weddings use the joined rooms on the third floor. Commissioner Hawkins requested a lockable door for the 4th/5th floor stairway during other events and list it at 100 square feet per occupant on the plan review application. Variance (g) addresses the open stairways at the 4th and 5th level. Variance (h) is required by Chapter 34 for the open stairway connecting floors one through three. A single tenant occupies all three floors with the stairway. Variance (i) is for egress width for the stairway. A request for an occupant load of 390 on the third floor which will be served by the stairway in question was made. Variance (k) addresses the materials used in the northeast stair enclosure. Variance (l) is for stairs which do not have a compliant riser height and tread depth. All are consistent due to materials used, but not compliant. flights are consistent, but each flight may be different once they're off the landings. Guardrails are consistent, but not compliant. Variance (m) is for ramp dimensions. These are somewhat steeper than code in a few locations which are just outside of construction tolerances. Some corners were rounded off, which created a slight slope. Variance (n) addresses existing stairs which were in place at the time of purchase. The third floor is the only stair with height differences on the top and bottom step. Variance (o) is for the second floor accessibility for conference use. There is a change in elevation by three steps due to the change of roof slope, making thirty-seven percent of the room not accessible. Variance (p) is for an existing elevator shaft enclosure. The proponent thinks there is 1-hour construction, but it's behind an old bi-fold elevator door for a cargo elevator, and is unsure. Scott Perez, State Building Code Compliance Officer, stated he had seen the elevator and it did not have an appropriate seal around the doors. The proponent agreed to fireseal properly. Variance (q)

is for points needed to pass Chapter 34 for allowable height, tenant separations and existing dead-ends. The building will be sprinklered with NFPA 13 for points needed. Commissioner Mitchell spoke on behalf of Noblesville Fire Department, stating that the fire department will be in the building to confirm that the occupant load is being followed. He also requested a schedule of events to be given to the fire department. Variance (j) was withdrawn. Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve with the conditions that 1) all required plans are to be filed with state Plan Review and City of Noblesville for all work already performed and to be performed to comply with the requirements for assembly use 2) no assembly use of the building shall be permitted until all required state and local permits have been obtained and all work has been performed in accordance with the state and local permits 3) work is to be completed before any use as an assembly occupancy 4) a means to block access to the 4th floor from the third floor during events is to be installed 5) all NFPA 13 sprinkler issues are to be resolved 6) upon correction of all sprinkler system deficiencies, an annual sprinkler test report that complies with NFPA 25 is to be prepared and submitted to the State Fire marshal 7) firestopping is to be applied to the elevator openings in all locations 8) a schedule of events is to be submitted to the local fire department 9) occupant load to be posted at 390 for the third floor. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Commissioner Mitchell abstained.

4. Breaking and reconvening. Chairman Hannum recessed the Commission at 10:30 a.m. He then reconvened the meeting, calling it back to order at 10:47 a.m.

Variance 10-08-37 Hunter's Chase Condominiums, Evansville, was moved to the end of the agenda to await the proponent. Variance 10-09-31 Ceolmor Inc. Fiddler's Hearth, South Bend, was represented by Doug Trent, RTM Consultants. It had been tabled until such time as the alley had been vacated by the city and an agreement had been reached between the owners to allow the structure on the commonly owned land. The buildings adjoining the structure are of brick with no openings, thereby reducing any fire threat. The structure didn't need certification for filing, though it had been signed off on by the engineer. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried with one nay. Variance 10-10-5 Posey County Co-op Office / Maintenance Shower, Mt. Vernon, was represented by Tim Callas, J & T Consulting. An emergency shower, required by code, was installed. It was not accessible, however. The request was to allow the use of the non-accessible shower since the employees who would be using it in the event of contamination are able-bodied. Following discussion, Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried. Ralph Gerdes, Ralph Gerdes Consultants, spoke as proponent for variance 10-10-30(a) Village On the Green Parcel 7C Main Theater 2C-1, Carmel. There were two exits from each of the three levels of the building, and both stairs were to discharge on the main level with only one directly to the outside. The building would be fully sprinklered. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried. Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent for variance 10-10-38 Mosaic Events, Indianapolis. She distributed the score sheet requested at the October meeting. Following discussion, Commissioner Brenner moved to approve based on the review of the score sheet. Commissioner Hawkins made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Christina Collester, RTM Consultants, requested that variance 10-08-37 Hunter's Chase Condominiums, Evansville, be tabled for a period of thirty days per the proponent, Roger Lehman. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

New Variances.

Chairman Hannum asked for any variances which the Commissioners wished to have called out. Variance 10-11-5, El Meson Restaurant, Franklin, was called out. Commissioner Jones moved to approve all other "A" and "B" variances, with the second by Commissioner Mitchell. It was voted upon and carried.

The following variances were approved as submitted:

- (1) 10-11-1 Indiana Convention Center Fire Hose Removal, Indianapolis (2) 10-11-3 Northlane Condominiums Windows, Bloomington
- 10-11-4 2567-2571 S. Addisyn Lane Windows, Bloomington (3)
- 10-11-18 412 Northlane Dr. Condominium Windows, Bloomington (4)
- (5) 10-11-19 414 Northlane Dr. Condominium Windows, Bloomington
- 418 Northlane Dr. Condominium Windows, Bloomington (6) 10-11-20
- 420 Northlane Dr. Condominium Windows, Bloomington (7) 10-11-21
- (8) 10-11-37(b)(e) Reflections at Bluestone Senior Living, Greenfield

Indiana University School of Nursing 4th Floor Renovation, Indianapolis (9) 10-11-43 (10)10-11-44 Mary E. Nicholson Elementary School, Indianapolis (11)10-11-45 Kings' Daughters' Hospital Replacement Hospital & CMAC, Madison 10-11-49 Schwitzer Hall East Wing Basement Renovation, Indianapolis (12)(13)10-11-50 Ball Memorial Hospital / Clarian Hospital New Helipad, Muncie (14)10-11-51 Options for Better Living, Inc, Bloomington (15)10-11-52(e)(f) Capitol Avenue Development Parking Garage, Indianapolis

Staff had recommended that variance 10-11-2 121 N. Glenwood West Windows, Bloomington, did not require a variance. Commissioner Christoffersen moved that no variance was required. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

The following variances were heard separately:

(16) 10-11-06 3755 N. Washington Blvd. Renovation, Indianapolis

Caitilin Ashley, owner, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the building to not comply with height limitations in Table 503. The attic space, separated at the bottom of the stair by a door, was to be used for mechanical systems, security systems and servers for computers. The area has not been modified since purchase, and they are not changing occupancy. The attic rooms and bathroom facilities had been installed by a previous owner. After discussion, Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve, with Commissioner Christoffersen making the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(17) 10-11-5 El Meson Restaurant, Franklin

Tim Callas, J & T Consulting, spoke as proponent. A baby changing table had been installed in the restroom as a convenience for the customers. When lowered into position, it interfered with the grab bars. Code requires grab bars of 36" and those installed were only 24". Commissioner Cundiff moved to deny, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

(18) 10-11-7 Sugar Grove Garden Homes, Plainfield

Tony Schantz, Vice-President of Operations, spoke as proponent. They have four 6-plex units, with Garages, which are required to have door closers on the door from the garage to the kitchen. The request was to omit the door closers. It was felt that they would result in an increased fall risk for their older residents, pushing them off balance. The garages would house no lawn equipment as the grounds are maintained by staff, and no grills are allowed. Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve with the condition no gasoline or grills were stored in the garages. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(19) 10-11-8 Le Merigot Hotel, Evansville

Christina Collester, RTM Consultants, substituting for Roger Lehman, spoke as proponent. The hotel, built in 2006, did not have smoke detectors in the corridors outside the rooms. The request is to not retrofit the required detectors. The corridors are protected with quick response sprinklers, interconnected with the fire alarm system to provide early warning to the guests. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(20) 10-11-9 Discount Tire Company Potential New Store, Avon

John Echeverri, EJ Engineering, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the owners to meet the requirements of Factory Mutual instead of NFPA 13 requirements. The local fire department had

submitted a letter requesting smoke detectors. Following discussion, Commissioner Jones moved to approve with the condition that they install smoke detectors as per the local fire department's request, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

(21) 10-11-10 Boilermaker Aquatics Center, West Lafayette

Michael Koppes, Purdue University, spoke as proponent. A pedestrian walkway of 840 square feet on the ground floor and 605 square feet on the mezzanine will be built to join the Aquatics Center and Fitness Center. The addition would place it into noncompliance. The entire building is sprinklered per NFPA 13, having been upgraded to an Ordinary Hazard Group 1. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried.

(22) 10-11-11(a)(b)(c) Purdue Student Fitness and Wellness Center, West Lafayette

Michael Koppes, Purdue University, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was to allow the fourth story of an addition to be open to the atrium. The fourth floor contained a running track and small exercise area which would be difficult and costly to separate. They will fully comply with atrium requirements of NFPA. The entire building is sprinklered per NFPA 13 requirements, and a mechanical smoke removal system will be provided for the atrium. Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was to omit the one-hour construction of the roof. The roof over the MAC gym, main gym, north gyms, pool area and the atrium doesn't fully have the 20' clearance required due to running tracks, mechanical and electrical rooms in some areas. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (c) was a request to allow unprotected openings in the firewall by the racquetball courts. The architect would like to use the widest openings available to speed up occupant entry/exit. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(23) 10-11- 12 (a)(b)(c) Riley Jones House, Muncie

This application was incomplete. Commissioner Ogle moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Jones. It was voted upon and carried.

(24) 10-11-13(a)(b)(c)(d)(e) Wishard Hospital Replacement Facility, Indianapolis

Terry Schultz, Code Consultants Inc, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was to allow horizontal sliding (pocket) doors per the 2009 International Building Code to separate patient sleeping rooms and bathrooms. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve if an amended application showing the locations of use was submitted. Commissioner Ogle made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was to allow the central boiler plant exterior wall to have the 3-hour rating applied to it due to the bump-out section of the parking garage bringing the buildings closer than the codecompliant 25 feet. The proponent feels having the 3-hour rating on the boiler plant wall instead of 2-hours on the boiler and 1-hour rating on the garage wall meets the intent of the code. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (c) was a request to allow some unprotected openings in the horizontal exit stair enclosure walls to be protected by quick response sprinklers. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve with the condition that an amended application showing the locations be submitted. Commissioner Jones made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (d) was to allow the use of double-walled 2-hour tank for diesel fuel

storage instead of a 2-hour fire wall between the diesel fuel tank and oxygen tank, located less than fifty feet apart. Site constraints and the necessity of a thirty foot tall wall were offered as hardships. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to deny, with the second by Commissioner Cundiff. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (e) was a request to allow the parking garage to be called a separate building so it didn't have to comply with high rise requirements. The garage would be separated by a 3-hour fire construction, and have quick response sprinklers and 3-hour rated doors. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

- 5. . **Breaking and reconvening.** Chairman Hannum recessed the Commission for lunch at 12:08 p.m. He then reconvened the meeting, calling it back to order at 1:00 p.m.
 - (25) 10-11-14 Millstone Pointe Buildings 1-8 Millstone Pointe Drive, Greencastle

Timothy Callas, J & T Consulting, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit sprinklers due to cost issues. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. Commissioner Brown then asked for a roll call vote. Brown; no. Corey; due to lack of information, no. Mitchell; no. Jones; no. Ogle; due to lack of information, no. Cundiff; no. Hannum; abstain. Brenner; no. Christoffersen; no. Hawkins; abstain. The motion does not pass. Following further discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

(26) 10-11- 15 Shields Crossing Building 1& 2, Seymour

Timothy Callas, J & T Consulting, spoke as proponent. The units were submitted as townhouses, but they did not want to put in property lines. The city of Seymour said it would require a specific style of water vault and individual meter for each unit, and the installation of these vaults would require that the streets be torn out then repaved. Fire Chief Fred Hines has asked for a fire hydrant to be installed for each property in the parking lot. There will be a monitoring fee and a fee for the vault assessed each unit monthly, per the city. Commissioner Ogle moved to table 10-11-15, 10-11-16 Shields Crossing II Building 1, 2, 3 Miller Lane Street, and 10-11-17 Shields Crossing III Building 1, 2, 3 625 Miller Lane Street to allow the proponent time to gather further information on the fees, the possibility of using a 13D sprinkler system, and the total cost of the project. Commissioner Christoffersen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(27) 10-11-22 Timberstone Lot 93, Fortville

Mark Owsiejko, MSI Properties, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the use of a tub surround which blocks access to the motor for the Jacuzzi. The tub would have to be pulled for any repair work to be done. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to deny, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

(28) 10-11-23 Victory Baptist Church, French Lick

Danny Hickman spoke as proponent. The request was to omit sprinklers in the A-3 occupancy which includes a multipurpose room. To run water to the building for sprinklers would require a 3" line to be run under the Texas Pipeline lines, sitting on solid bedrock. DHS inspector Carl Deel suggested the variance. They would install an electronic fire alarm or monitored security system, as the Commission chooses, and an additional exit door was added to the Fellowship Hall. There is also a second hallway with an exit. The building, which houses the 60 member congregation, is 60'x120'. Following discussion, Commissioner Ogle moved to approve, with the second by

Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried.

(29) 10-11-24 Monon Place Phase II, Indianapolis

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow a masonry veneer taller than the 30' allowed without cold formed steel framing. Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(30) 10-11-25 Indiana-American Water Co. Richmond South 4th Street WTP, Richmond 10-11-26 Indiana-American Water Co. Richmond Main Station WTP, Richmond

10-11-27 Indiana-American Water Co. Kokomo Treatment Center WTP, Kokomo

10-11-28 Indiana-American Water Co. Kokomo Phillips Street WTP, Kokomo

10-11-29 Indiana-American Water Co. Richmond Middle Fork WTP, Richmond

Christina Collester, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit sprinklers in an H-4 chemical storage room. The chemicals being stored there do not react well to water. The rooms meet all other requirements for H occupancies. Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve all, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(31) 10-11-30 ISTA Building, Indianapolis

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to no longer maintain the two elevator lobbies, as required by code. One elevator has no lobby at all, and the other had a door which has not been maintained. Information from studies which showed lobbies not to be of any benefit was provided by the proponent. Following discussion, Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Cundiff. It was voted upon and carried.

(32) 10-11-31 Midwest Independent Transmission Systems Operations Center 2, Sheridan

Doug Trent, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit the emergency disconnect system required by Article 645. They will follow Chapters 1-4 of the Electrical Code. Article 645 presumes the adoption of NFPA 75, which Indiana doesn't follow. After discussion, Commissioner Ogle moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried.

(33) 10-11-32 Central Data Center, Carmel

Doug Trent, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. This variance was the same as 10-11-31, Midwest Independent Transmission Systems Operations Center 2, Sheridan. Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

(34) 10-11-33 Deaconess Gateway Hospital Tower Expansion, Newburgh

Doug Trent, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. An addition to the side of the building where stairway #5 is located will redirect exiting into a corridor with rated windows and doors, and pipes, conduits and cables located in the space above the ceiling. Due to the cost, the request was to allow the pipes to remain in place. The other stairways in the building discharge directly to the outside. After asking about med gas lines, Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve with the condition that any med gas lines were to be moved. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(35) 10-11-34 Riley Hospital Outpatient Center Outpatient Surgery Remodel, Indianapolis

Neal Locasto, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow sliding doors to be installed in the outpatient treatment rooms instead of compliant side-hinged doors. Sliding doors permit unobstructed movement to and from patient treatment rooms, and have no floor track to interfere with infection control. The rooms will have fewer than 10 occupants, and the building is sprinklered. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(36) 10-11-35(a)(b) Sensient Flavors Auto-Compounder Renovation, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, Chris Hallman, Sensient Senior Project Engineer, spoke as proponents. The request was to allow openings in the fire barrier in excess of the amount allowed due to the movement of manufacturing components by forklift. Overhead fire doors, auto-closing fire doors and a sprinkler curtain will protect the area in the fully sprinklered building. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve (a), with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was to allow overhead doors instead of compliant side swing doors. Randy Gulley, Wayne Township Fire Department, addressed the Commission, stating he supported the variance. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(37) 10-11-36(a)(b) DLZ Office Relocation, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The old Marion County Community Corrections facility, built in 1909, is being converted to offices. One of the two existing stairs was relocated, but both stairs still discharge through the first floor, as they had previously. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Mitchell. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was a request to allow the stairs to not comply with current rise and run requirements. Final Rule LSA Document #10-251 would exempt existing stair dimensions when evaluated per Section 3410 for a change in use. The handrails/guardrails were to be replaced to comply. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(38) 10-11-37(a)(d)(e)(f) Reflections at Bluestone Senior Living, Greenfield

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request in (a) was to allow the dayroom to be open to the corridor, thereby creating more of a home atmosphere. It is a rated corridor and smoke detectors will be installed in the sprinklered building. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried. The request in (d) was to allow smoke dampers to be omitted in the duct penetrations of the 1-hour corridor walls. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried. The request in (e) was to allow sprinklers to protect the windows within four feet of the fire wall. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Corey. It was voted upon and carried. The request in (f) was omit sprinklers on the front porches of the main building and five patio home complexes. The buildings are sprinklered inside, and the owner doesn't wish to have them outside. Following discussion, Commissioner Brenner moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

(37) 10-11-38 Camp Belzer Staff Cabins, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, Greg Jacoby, architect and Kevin Hobbes, ranger, spoke as proponents. The Lawrence Fire Marshal had submitted a letter opposing the variance. Two cabins

had been submitted as class 1 buildings. They are to house summer camp staff. The request was to omit sprinklers. Following the presentation, Commissioner Hawkins questioned if he buildings were, in fact, class 1 structures since they are residences and no work space is included. Commissioner Christoffersen moved that no variance was required, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

(38) 10-11-39 McCordsville New Administrative Offices, McCordsville

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. A small meeting space in the office area is being added. The exit is to grade, and the sprinkler system will be installed, plus the fire department connection, but non-functional. The request was to allow them two years noncompliance while they wait for the city to install the lines to their area to supply the sprinklers. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with Commissioner Cundiff making the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(39) 10-11-40 Woodlawn Center Addition, Logansport

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The not-for-profit organization, a provider of services for developmentally challenged persons, was adding a small employee conference room and office space. The estimated cost for demolition and installation of the sprinkler system was \$125,000. The request was to omit the sprinkler system due to the cost. A fire alarm system is to be installed, and a smoke detection system can be added. Following discussion, Commissioner Ogle moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried, with one nay vote being cast.

(40) 10-11-41(a)(b) University of Indianapolis Student Athletic Recreation Center, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The practice field for the 2012 Super Bowl will be built here, and a conference center by Arsenal Technical High School. The domed structure makes up the field house, an A-4 occupancy, with a support building, a B/A-3 occupancy. Sprinklers were omitted in the playing area by exception. The request in (a) was to omit the sprinklers in the lockers, weight room, and vestibule. Following discussion, Commissioner Hawkins moved to deny, with the second by Commissioner Corey. It was voted upon and carried. The request in (b) was to omit the rating on the corridor in the support building. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brenner. It was voted upon and carried.

(41) 10-11-42 IPL Line Dock Expansion, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, and Joe Fitzgerald, IPL, spoke as proponents. The request was to allow the use of the existing building wall to be used in lieu of a 4-hour fire wall in the extension of the line dock area for loading the trucks. It is an open air structure with minimal storage, the most permanent of which is trashcans. Following discussion, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hawkins. It was voted upon and carried.

(42) 10-11-46 Whitley County Eagle Tech Academy, Columbia City

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The building will be sprinkled as they complete work on each section. The request was to allow occupancy before completion of the entire project. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried.

(43) 10-11-47 Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis

Christina Collester, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow propane-powered vehicles to be displayed within the Indiana Convention Center at an automobile show, though IFC 314.4, used for gasoline-powered vehicles, per the agency, does not cover these vehicles. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved that no variance was required. Commissioner Hawkins made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(44) 10-11-48 Victory Field Left Field Hospitality Project, Indianapolis

Ralph Gerdes, Ralph Gerdes Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to build a small open-sided, roofed structure over the grill areas along the first base line hospitality area of type II-B construction. A variance had been issued to the 2008 IBC, and the owner wishes to construct this addition using the same provisions for today's code. The structure will be sprinklered. Following discussion, Commissioner Ogle moved to approve, with Commissioner Cundiff making the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(45) 10-11-52(a)(b)(c)(d) Capital Avenue Development Parking Garage, Indianapolis

Ralph Gerdes, Ralph Gerdes Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request in variance (a) is to allow the first floor openings in the seven-tier open parking garage to be unevenly distributed as required by code. Only one side is short. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was to allow accessory rooms exceeding the total square footage allowed by 400 square feet. The rooms will be separated from the garage by two 2-hour fire barriers with 90-minute fire rated door assemblies. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (c) was the request to install two machineroomless elevators. Commissioner Corey moved to approve on the condition that they comply with current code, or LSA Document #09-871, or return to the Commission. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (d) was to omit standby power for the elevators. The current ADAAG does not require standby power for elevators in open parking garages Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved that no variance was required, with the second by Commissioner Christoffersen. It was voted upon and carried.

(46) 10-11-53 Parkwood Healthcare, Lebanon

Tim Callas, J & T Consulting, spoke as proponent. The generators are being replaced in the facility. The request is to allow a single transfer switch instead of multiple switches required by code since the generator will serve the entire building, not just critical care and life safety branches. Commissioner Christoffersen moved to approve with the condition that the fire department letter of notification is submitted to staff as well as a sealed set of engineer drawings by November 5, 2010. Commissioner Cundiff made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(47) 10-11-54(a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(f)(g) ADM Milling Company, Mt. Vernon

Terry Ramsey and Barry Viola, Liftco, spoke as proponents. When the elevators were installed, they were unaware that Mt. Vernon was in a seismic zone. The variances requested to omit compliance to the seismic requirements for the special purpose elevator. Following a discussion of building codes, Commissioner Christoffersen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Ogle. It was voted upon and carried.

(48) 10-11-55 California Street Parking Garage, Indianapolis

Kenneth Pensinger, Arsee Engineers, spoke as proponent. The request was to be allowed to install some flame retardant insulation and flame retardant plywood into an elevator machineroom to gain credits for thermal performance for a LEED certification for the garage. Thermax is to be installed according to manufacturers instruction. Following discussion, Commissioner Cundiff moved to approve with the condition that the listed assembly installation is to be documented. Commissioner Ogle made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

6. New Business – General.

Discussion and Possible Commission Action

Open Door Fellowship Church Administrative Cause No. 10-25 Condition of CDR Nonfinal Order of Dismissal

Commissioner Corey moved to affirm the Nonfinal Orders. Commissioner Christoffersen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

Discussion and Commission Action on Petitions for Review (All are timely field unless otherwise noted.)

South Side Christian Church, Munster Appeal of ACDR Denial Letter

IUPUI California Street Parking Garage Violation Item 2 – Elevator Safety Division

Gardens of Canal Court Order – Indianapolis Fire Department

Commissioner Cundiff moved to grant the petitions for review. Commissioner Corey made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

7. Reconsideration of variance 10-09-7 Toyota New Unload Canopy, Columbus

Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services, advised the Commission that the mesh curtain was to now be on more than one side, which changes the conditions upon which the variance had been granted. She asked how the Commission wished to proceed. It was decided that the proponent would need to apply for a new variance.

8. Discussion of NFPA Standards – John Hibner

John Hibner, Code Specialist, distributed a memorandum concerning NFPA Standards currently adopted by the Commission, prioritized by staff as to keeping it, updating it or dropping it. Since there currently is grant money available to purchase copies for the study, he asked that the members of the Commission look at the list and make recommendations at next month's meeting.

9 Comments

Mara Snyder, Director of Legal and Code Services, advised that the Swimming Pool Code was approved by the

State Budget Agency, making this the first new Pool code since 1992. Grant money for the NFPA study was due to the efforts of Shelly Wakefield. The public may now search the database for variance action letters. Commissioner Cundiff thanked Mara Snyder and John Hibner for gathering the necessary fiscal information to get the Swimming Pool Code passed.

11. Adjournment.

	Calling for further business and hearing none, Chairman Hannum adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.
APPROVED	
	David Hannum, Chairman